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BEGIN SUMMARY: U.S. AND EC REPRESENTATIVES DISCUSSED U.S. INRS RESULTING FROM XXIV:6 SETTLEMENT JUNE 19. TECHNICAL ASPECTS WERE RESOLVED, EC EXPLAINED PROCEDURE FOR INR SETTLEMENT BUT MUST CONSULT EC BRUSSELS RE PORTION OF U.S. INR REQUEST. END SUMMARY.

1. NEWKIRK MET WITH EC REPRESENTATIVE TO DISCUSS TECHNICAL DETAILS OF INR SETTLEMENT ON BASIS DRAFT UNDERSTANDING REFTEL. EC BEGAN MEETING BY STATING THEY FEEL NO OBLIGATION TO GRANT ANY INRS TO U.S., BUT WILLING TO AGREE ON U.S. INRS FOR ITEMS INCLUDED IN FINAL XXIV:6 SETTLEMENT. IN THIS REGARD, EC NOTED THAT SOME INRS REQUESTED WERE ERRONEOUS IN THAT THEY COVERED ENTIRE ITEM RATHER THAN THE EX-OUT THAT WAS NEGOTIATED. U.S. RESPONDED THAT THIS WAS NOT AN ERROR, THAT GIVEN NATURE OF NEGOTIATION
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AND SIGNIFICANCE FOR U.S. OF ITEMS NEGOTIATED, WE BELIEVED

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INR SHOULD BE GRANTED ON ENTIRE ITEM. EC RESPONDED THIS
CONTRARY TO TRADITIONAL ARTICLE 28 PRACTICE AND WOULD REQUIRE
NEW INSTRUCTIONS FROM BRUSSELS. PER INSTRUCTION PARA 3
REFTEL, WE DID NOT OBJECT TO EX-OUTS PROPOSED BY EC.

2. AFTER RESOLVING EX-OUT ISSUE, TECHNICAL EXAMINATION OF
EC PROPOSED INR DID NOT REVEAL ANY MAJOR DISCREPANCIES,
HOWEVER EC DID STATE THAT IT HAD DIFFICULTIES GRANTING U.S.
INR ON EX 4415 BECAUSE CONCESSION WAS MFN TARIFF QUOTA.
WE RESPONDED THAT IN REGARD TO INRS, THERE WAS NO DISCERNIBLE
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TARIFF AND TARIFF QUOTA BINDING. EC AGREED AND
PROMISED TO RESOLVE QUESTION ASAP.

3. EC TENTATIVELY ADDED ITEM EX 8521D, WAFER (AT 90 PERCENT), TO
U.S. INR LIST PENDING FINAL RESOLUTION OF SEMI-CONDUCTOR ISSUE.
INCLUSION OF THIS ITEM NECESSARY TO COMPLETE FULL U.S. INR
SCHEDULE.

4. EC STATED ITEMS INCLUDED AT END OF PARA 2 REFTEL (PEAS,
LENTILS, ETC.) REPRESENTED NEW REQUESTS THAT HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY
BEEN MENTIONED IN NEGOTIATION. EC REP THOUGHT THIS WAS CERTAINLY
INAPPROPRIATE TIME TO INITIATE NEW ISSUES IN XXIV:6 NEGOTIATION.
WE RESPONDED THAT INRS FOR THESE ITEMS WERE BEING
REQUESTED IN CONTEXT OF LUYTEN'S STATEMENT THAT ADDITIONAL
INR REQUESTS BY U.S. WOULD BE CONSIDERED ON CASE-BY-CASE
BASIS. EC MAINTAINED THAT THIS STATEMENT REFERRED ONLY TO
INRS FOR ITEMS IN SETTLEMENT PACKAGE AND THAT U.S. MORE THAN
COMPENSATED FOR LOST DANISH INRS BY INCREASED TRADE COVERAGE
OF U.S. INRS HELD UK AND CXT. EC CONCLUDED THAT THEY WOULD
TAKE UP QUESTION OF ADDITIONAL INRS WITH BRUSSELS AND POSSIBLY
MEMBER STATES, BUT OFFERED VERY NEGATIVE ASSESSMENT OF
POSSIBILITY OF GRANTING ADDITIONAL INRS AND NOTED THAT REQUEST
COULD HAVE DISRUPTIVE EFFECT ON FINAL SETTLEMENT. THEY ALSO WILL
HAVE TO CONSULT BRUSSELS RE EX 24.01B REQUESTED BY U.S.
DECEMBER 6 AND HAVE SIMILARLY NEGATIVE ASSESSMENT RE PROSPECT
FOR THIS ITEM.

5. EC REP OUTLINED TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF FINAL SCHEDULE AGREEMENT.
EC WILL SEND U.S. MISSION THREE COPIES OF U.S. INRS WITH NEW

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RATES NEGOTIATED IN XXIV:6. IF THESE SCHEDULES AGREE WITH U.S.
RECORDS, U.S. WOULD INITIAL EACH COPY, KEEP ONE, SEND ONE TO
EC AND THE THIRD WOULD BE NOTIFIED TO GATT. EC APPARENTLY
INTENDS TO FOLLOW THIS PROCEDURE WITH EACH XXIV:6 NEGOTIATING
PARTNER.

6. LUYTEN SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD US HE IS GOING TO BRUSSELS TONIGHT;
EXPECTS TO BE READY TO GIVE DEFINITE RESPONSE MONDAY. DALE

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